

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT
Docket No. 99/044NUT

In re Patent Application of
Martin JAGER *et al.*
Serial No. 09/747,850
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Group Art Unit: 1761
Examiner: Helen F. Pratt

For: **ENCAPSULATED MULTIFUNCTIONAL BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE FOOD
COMPONENT, PROCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND ITS USE**

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Charlotte, North Carolina
February 20, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 23 August, 2002, applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks. Attached hereto please find a petition and fee for a three-month extension of time to be charged to Deposit Account 502193.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

- 1 (amended) A multifunctional encapsulated biologically active food component consisting
- of at least one biologically active substance (s) wherein the active substance (s) are encapsulated by one or more shell-forming substance(s) selected from the group consisting of one or more of the following substances: